

## House Resolution No. 3442

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge achievements garnered down through the years by Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated their time and energy to bettering the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Robert F. Walster attained considerable distinction as Mayor of Mount Vernon since his initial appointment to that office in August 1999 and reelection by a vote of the people in 2002; and

**Whereas**, in April 2004 Bob Walster drew his esteemed service as Mayor of Mount Vernon to a close in order to shift the focus of his attention and abilities to other worthwhile projects; and

**Whereas**, Bob Walster is a banker on the Board of First National Bank who also has served as President of the Mount Vernon Golf Association, Past President of the Nevada Chamber of Commerce, First Treasurer of the Missouri Bankers Association, Chairman of the Diocesan Development Fund of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, and Chairman of Children's Miracle Network fund-raising golf tournaments, and as a member of Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, K-Life, the Chamber of Commerce, the Mount Vernon Treatment Center Liaison Council, the Missouri Transportation Advisory Council, and others; and

**Whereas**, a parishioner of Saint Suzanne Catholic Church, Bob Walster is justifiably proud to be known as the beloved husband of JoAnn Walster; the loving father of Lisa Higginbotham, Jeffry J. Walster, and Wendy Schiltz; son of Dennis Walster; and grandfather of Corey Johnson; Craig and Cole Higginbotham; Stephanie, Derek, Brett, and Braeden Walster; and Aspyn, Allison, and Noah Schiltz; and

**Whereas**, Bob Walster is the recipient of the Key to the City of Prairie Village, Kansas; Lion of the Year recognition from the Shawnee Mission Lions Club; two Apple Awards; Citizen of the Year honors from the Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce; and the Key to the City of Mount Vernon; and

**Whereas**, Bob Walster is universally praised as a man who is devoted to God, family, and country; who is always ready to help in any way that he can; and who embodies the traits of empathy, caring, knowledge, experience, and wisdom:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the stellar contributions so generously given by Robert Walster during his tenure as Mayor of Mount Vernon and to convey to him this legislative body's sincerest best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Robert F. Walster of Mount Vernon, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Jack Goodman  
District No. 132

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3442, adopted June 21, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker